

Remarks

Claims 1-3, 8-16, 30, 51, 52, and 57-62 are pending in the subject application and currently before the Examiner. On May 5, 2003, Applicants filed an Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.111 in response to an Office Action dated December 3, 2002 whereby claims 17-29, 31-50, and 53-56 were canceled, claims 1-3, 13, 14, and 57-59 were amended, and claims 60-62 were added. By this Supplemental Amendment, Applicants have indicated in the "listing of the claims" that claims 17-29, 31-50, and 53-56 have been "withdrawn."

Applicants are of the understanding that the remarks filed with the previous Amendment need not be presented in this paper. However, Applicants hereby incorporate the arguments set forth in the Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.111 filed May 5, 2003 by reference in its entirety.

Entry and consideration of the amendments presented herein and in the Amendment of May 5, 2003 is respectfully requested. Favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants believe that the currently pending claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §§1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

Applicants invite the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

Respectfully submitted,



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